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Sent: 12/4/2019 1:48:22 AM
To: **Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)**
Subject: RE: Potent Smoke Smell (TPC)

Please call the TPC hotline and let them know.
The hotline is 866-601-5880.

Thanks

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Thank you, Adam. We will respond accordingly. Would you like to see response prior?

Main direction for Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) would be to visit portnechesresponse.com and provide specific links to statements on monitoring (statement #7).

On Dec 4, 2019, at 9:55 AM, Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov> wrote:

Please see below and assist.
Adam

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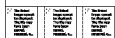
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Thank you for the update provided. We request information on potential offsite consequences from the identified worst case scenarios in the Risk Management Plan. Specifically the flammable worst case scenario and the flammable alternate worst case scenario. Additionally we request information on what chemical or mixture of chemical is being released along with the number of pounds being release and the worst case scenario radius.

We appreciate your continued efforts and information.

- T.e.j.a.s & CIDA

On Wed, Nov 27, 2019 at 1:58 PM Vaughn, Gloria <Vaughn.Gloria@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Yvette,

As we receive updates, we will forward them to you.

Gloria

From: Yvette Arellano <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy \(PP\)](#)>
Sent: Wednesday, November 27, 2019 12:48 PM
To: Vaughn, Gloria <Vaughn.Gloria@epa.gov>; Blanco, Arturo <Blanco.Arturo@epa.gov>
Cc: [Ex. 6 Personal Privacy \(PP\)](#); ana. parras <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy \(PP\)](#)>; HILTON KELLEY <[Ex. 6 Personal Privacy \(PP\)](#)>
Subject: Port Neches

Good afternoon Gloria and Arturo,

Gloria thank you for answering our call this morning. This morning at 1am there was a chemical explosion at the TPC plant Texas Petrochemical in Port Neches east of Houston and north of Port Arthur. Both CIDA and T.e.j.a.s are in need of any information regarding the incident including but not limited to daily updates, chemicals being released, evacuation orders, clean-up processes and monitoring of the area. We appreciate all the support we can get to best inform our fenceline communities and partners in all the areas affected.

We look forward to your response.

Juan Parras and Hilton Kelly

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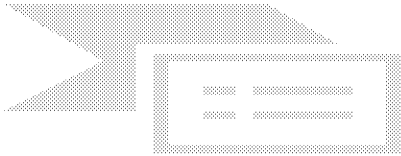
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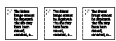
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To: Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]; Rauscher, Jon [Rauscher.Jon@epa.gov]
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Applies to Site: Staging								
Site Characterization								
Water		Land		Weather				
Wave Height		Land Use		Air Temp		72 Fahrenheit		
Speed				Wind Speed		15 mph		
Direction				Direction		NNE		
Site Hazards								
Yes	No	Hazards	Yes	No	Hazards	Yes	No	
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Air Monitoring Limits								
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LEL		1% 1 min	Butane		500ppm 5min	Particulate Matter		
Hydrogen Sulfide			Carbon Dioxide		5000ppm 5 min	Total VOC		
Benzene			Carbon Monoxide		25ppm 5min			
Total Hydrocarbons			LEL ACTION		5% 1 min			
Engineering Controls								
<input type="checkbox"/>	Source of release secured		<input type="checkbox"/>	Valve(s) closed		<input type="checkbox"/>	Energy sources locked/tagged out	
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Personal Protective Equipment Required								
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Work Plan								
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Incident Commander		Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)				Operations Section Chief	
Safety Officer							
Emergency Plan							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Prevention Plan			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Evacuation Plan		
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Notifications							
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Air Ambulance	Southeast Texas Air Rescue		<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Response/Rescue		
Initial Briefing							
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Sent: 11/30/2019 10:10:19 PM
To: Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]; Rauscher, Jon [Rauscher.Jon@epa.gov]
CC: Assunto, Carmen [Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Approval for response to citizen inquiry

Any issues with me sending this forward to the citizen?

Janie

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Sent: 12/1/2019 3:01:03 PM
To: Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]
CC: Angela Perez [aperez@cteh.com]; Taylor Shelton [TShelton@ci.port-neches.tx.us]; Phillip Pryor [PPryor@ci.port-neches.tx.us]; Eric Allaby [eallaby@cteh.com]; Sanders, Jason [Jason.Sanders2@tpcgrp.com]; Jaschek, Becky [Rebecca.Jaschek@tpcgrp.com]; Hidalgo, Chelsea [Hidalgo.Chelsea@epa.gov]; Rauscher, Jon [Rauscher.Jon@epa.gov]; Daniel Tighe [Daniel.Tighe@WestonSolutions.com]; james.collins@westonsolutions.com; Brittney Teakell [Brittney.Teakell@tceq.texas.gov]
Subject: Re: City of Port Neches Public Works
Attachments: ATT00001.txt

Angie - will you send me the lab results vi email please?

Hope Davila

On Dec 1, 2019, at 8:33 AM, Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov> wrote:

Bringing in EPA Tox for situational awareness.

Thanks

Adam

From: Angela Perez <aperez@cteh.com>
Sent: Sunday, December 01, 2019 8:32 AM
To: Taylor Shelton <TShelton@ci.port-neches.tx.us>; Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>; hope.davila@tceq.texas.gov
Cc: Phillip Pryor <PPryor@ci.port-neches.tx.us>; Eric Allaby <eallaby@cteh.com>; Sanders, Jason <Jason.Sanders2@tpcgrp.com>; Jaschek, Becky <Rebecca.Jaschek@tpcgrp.com>
Subject: RE: City of Port Neches Public Works

Hi Taylor,

Yes, we met with Phillip and took samples yesterday from the location that you indicated. We don't have the complete report in yet, but expect them in the next hour. Thus far, we have a detect for TPH for the light ends range:

C6-C12: 153 ug/L (TX Groundwater for ingestion PCL is 980 ug/L)

C12-C28: Non-Detect

C28-C35: Non-Detect

Thus, thankfully, the heavy ends detect that we saw yesterday is not in the finished drinking water. Please don't hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Angie Perez, PhD
Senior Toxicologist
CTEH, LLC
Direct: 541-901-9000

From: Taylor Shelton <TShelton@ci.port-neches.tx.us>
Sent: Sunday, December 1, 2019 6:55 AM
To: Angela Perez <aperez@cteh.com>; Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>
Cc: Phillip Pryor <PPryor@ci.port-neches.tx.us>
Subject: RE: City of Port Neches Public Works

Angie

Do you know if your people tested our forebay at our raw water liftstation? They were to have come back and pulled samples there, they didn't have any more bottles when they pulled from canal. The canal gravity flows into forebay, but the piping is about 2' below the water surface and then it's pumped to the water plan. At the time they pulled the sample in the canal there were no signs in the bay. Just curious, that would establish that the film did not reach our water plant. Please let me know

Have you gotten the report back on our finished water at the water plant?
THANKS

Taylor

Taylor Shelton, P.E.
Public Works Director
City of Port Neches
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Port Neches, Texas 77651
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From: Angela Perez <aperez@cteh.com>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2019 4:51 PM
To: Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>
Cc: Taylor Shelton <TShelton@ci.port-neches.tx.us>
Subject: RE: City of Port Neches Public Works

Thanks Adam!

Taylor, I just sent you a text message. Please feel free to send the contact info for your colleague who we can contact. We also have bottles, some of which need preservative. Is it okay if our guy comes in to collect these?

Best,

Angie Perez, PhD
Senior Toxicologist

CTEH, LLC
Direct: 541-901-9000

From: Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>
Sent: Saturday, November 30, 2019 4:46 PM
To: Angela Perez <aperez@cteh.com>
Cc: tshelton@ci.port-neches.tx.us
Subject: City of Port Neches Public Works

Angela, Taylor's contact info, email above.

Taylor Shelton

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

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Sent: 12/6/2019 11:36:44 PM
To: derrick.cobb@westonsolutions.com
Subject: Fwd: South 4 Group Fire: CTEH Air Monitoring Portal

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Collins, James" <James.Collins@WestonSolutions.com>
Date: December 3, 2019 at 3:13:59 PM CST
To: "Patel, Anish" <patel.anish@epa.gov>
Subject: South 4 Group Fire: CTEH Air Monitoring Portal

CTEH's monitoring can be accessed through:
<https://projects.cteh.com/projects/2749/dashboard>

username: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)
password:



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